Jensen Dance Academy

The Costumes

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GO FOR IT! MY BRAIN IS CONSTANTLY EXPANDING!
OUCH!
OH, SORRY!
THE PREPARATIONS FOR THE MUSICAL AT JENSEN'S DANCE ACADEMY: THE "COSTUME GROUP" IS BUSY . . .
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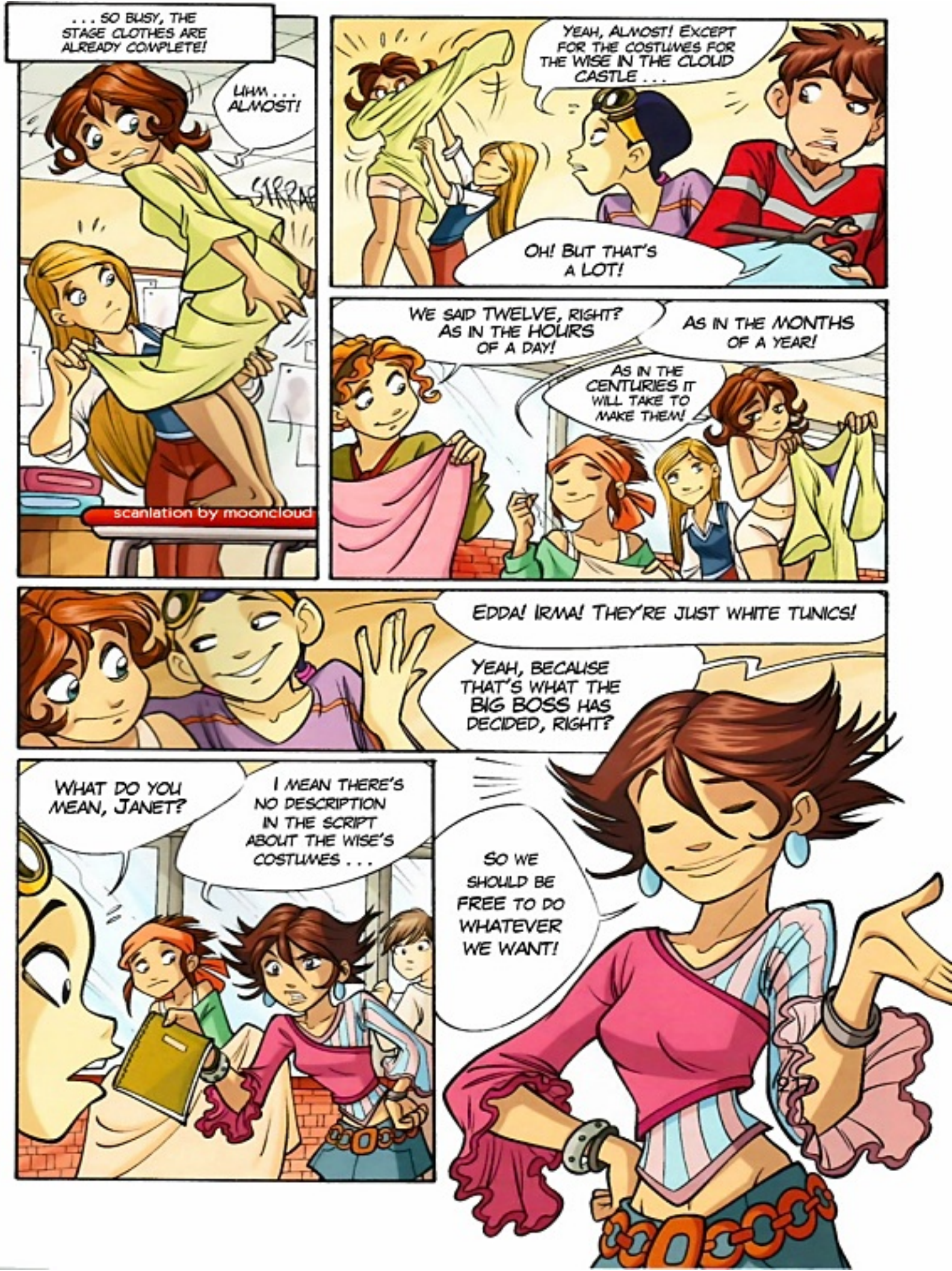
. . . SO BUSY, THE STAGE CLOTHES ARE ALREADY COMPLETE!
UHM . . . ALMOST!
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YEAH, ALMOST! EXCEPT FOR THE COSTUMES FOR THE WISE IN THE CLOUD CASTLE . . .
OH! BUT THAT'S A LOT!
WE SAID TWELVE, RIGHT? AS IN THE HOURS OF A DAY!
AS IN THE MONTHS OF A YEAR!
AS IN THE CENTURIES IT WILL TAKE TO MAKE THEM!
EDDA! IRMA! THEY'RE JUST WHITE TUNICS!
YEAH, BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT THE BIG BOSS HAS DECIDED, RIGHT?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, JANET?
I MEAN THERE'S NO DESCRIPTION IN THE SCRIPT ABOUT THE WISE'S COSTUMES . . .
SO WE SHOULD BE FREE TO DO WHATEVER WE WANT!
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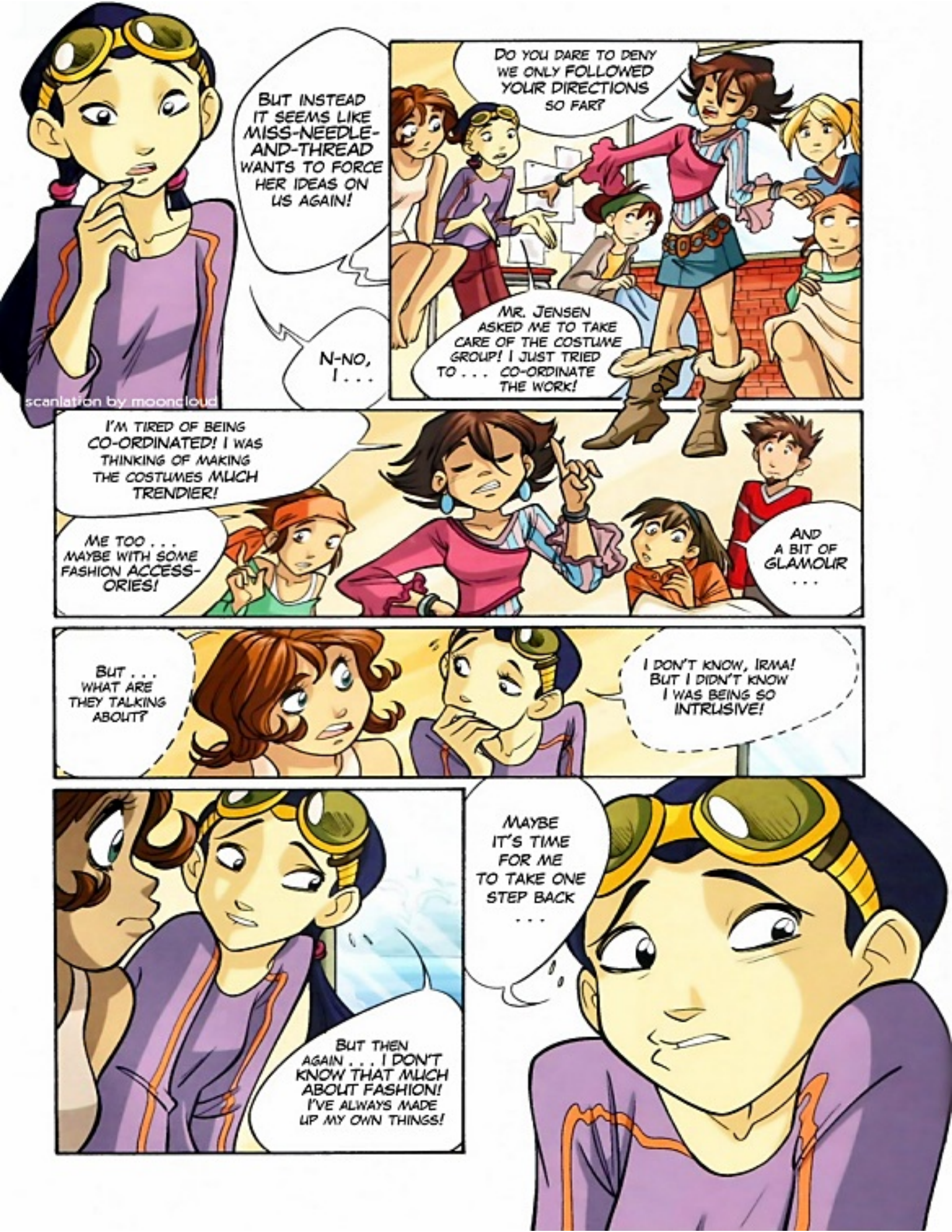
But instead it seems like Miss-Needle-and-Thread wants to force her ideas on us again!
Do you dare to deny we only followed your directions so far?
Mr. Jensen asked me to take care of the costume group! I just tried to . . . co-ordinate the work!
N-no, I . . .
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I'm tired of being co-ordinated! I was thinking of making the costumes much trendier!
Me too . . . maybe with some fashion access-ories!
And a bit of glamour . . .
But . . . what are they talking about?
I don't know, Irma! But I didn't know I was being so intrusive!
But then again . . . I don't know that much about fashion! I've always made up my own things!
Maybe it's time for me to take one step back . . .

". . . AND LEAVE ROOM FOR SOMEONE WHO KNOWS MORE THAN I DO! "
SOMETHING COOL IS NEEDED HERE! A RHINESTONE BELT, FOR EXAMPLE!
WRINKLES FOR AN OLD FASHIONED LOOK!
NO, I'D PREFER LEGGINS WITH MINI SHORTS ON TOP!
I'M VOTING FOR AN OVER-ALL, BLUE LOOK, WITH SNEAKERS IN DENIM!
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WHAT ABOUT THE PURSE? A MULTI SHOPPING BAG IS A MUST!
BRACELETS AND BELTS IN ETHNO CHIC STYLE!
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SHOPPING BAG WITH PEARLS AND SEQUINS!

There! Now, the wise men's costumes are TRENDY!
Sure! None of this season's accessories are missing!
What do you think?
Horrible!
Impossible, ridiculous, totally loopy!
Something like... our bigwig in a mini tunic with boots to match?
PFFFT! Or... the entire communion in Bermudas and sun glasses!
Come on, Haylin! Maybe you had just thought about it differently... and that's why you can't like them now!
In that case, I'm not the only one!
No one dared to tell it to Janet's face, but everyone, even her closest friends...
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" . . . CAME TO ME AND ASKED FOR A DIFFERENT SOLUTION! "
YEAH . . . WE'RE ASHAMED ABOUT THE RESULT, ACTUALLY . . .
YOU, WHO HAVE SUCH GOOD IMAGINATION, CAN'T YOU COME UP WITH SOMETHING ELSE?
OH, PLEASE, HAY LIN! YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING!
BUT WHAT? THE COSTUMES ARE BEING SHOWN AT JENSEN'S AFTER THE HOLIDAYS! SO . . .
THERE'S NO TIME LEFT!
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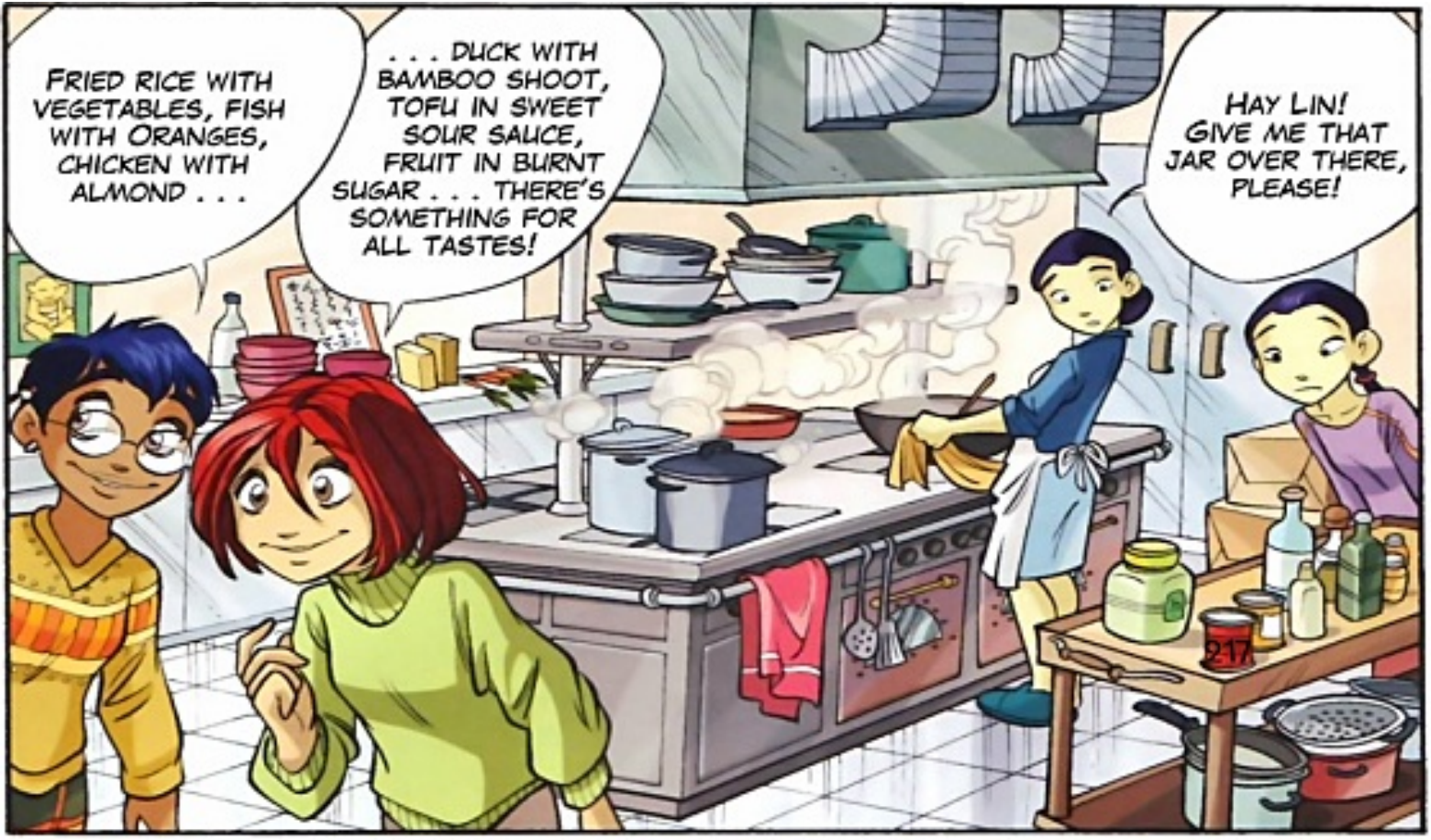
AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND . . . IF JANET'S DRAWINGS ARE SO FASHIONABLE . . .
DONG DONG LANG
. . . THEN WHY ARE THEY SO WRONG?
HI!
HI, GIRLS!
MMM, IT SMELLS REALLY GOOD! WHAT'S COOKING?
I'M MAKING THE CHRISTMAS MENU! HALF OF HEATHERFIELD SEEM TO HAVE DECIDED TO EAT HERE!
GOOD NEWS, RIGHT?
YEAH . . . BUT IT'S NOT EASY TO SATISFY ALL OF THE COSTUMER'S TASTES!


FRIED RICE WITH VEGETABLES, FISH WITH ORANGES, CHICKEN WITH ALMOND . . .
. . . DUCK WITH BAMBOO SHOOT, TOFU IN SWEET SOUR SAUCE, FRUIT IN BURNT SUGAR . . . THERE'S SOMETHING FOR ALL TASTES!
HAY LIN! GIVE ME THAT JAR OVER THERE, PLEASE!

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WHAT IS IT?
FIVE MIXED SPICES! GINGER, CINNAMON, CLOVE, CHINESE ANISE AND FENNEL SEEDS . . .

. . . SKILLFULLY COMBINED IN THE RIGHT DOSES, AFTER AN OLD FAMILY RECEPIE!

THAT'S ENOUGH, HAY LIN, DON'T OVERDO IT! IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE USED SPARINGLY!
OF COURSE! THAT'S THE SECRET . . .

THE SECRET OF THE CHINESE KITCHEN? SIMPLICITY AND TRADITION! PURE INGREDIENTS AND . . .
. . . AND NO GLITTER!
NO WHAT?
I GET IT NOW, GIRLS! FOLLOW ME!
" GRANDMA'S CHEST SHOULD STILL BE HERE! "
IT'S BEEN YEARS SINCE I OPENED IT! I WAS JUST A KID BACK THEN!
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WOW! BUT THAT'S . . .
. . . REAL, AUTHENTIC, CHINESE COSTUMES! SPACIOUS, HUH?
SIMPLICITY AND TRADITION! JUST LIKE IN THE KITCHEN!
GRAT GRAT
I-I'M SORRY, BUT . . . I DON'T FOLLOW YOU! WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
I'M GOING TO GET MY INSPIRATION FOR THE COSTUMES FOR THE SHOW . . .

" . . . NOW WHEN I KNOW WHAT'S WRONG WITH JANET'S SKETCHES!"
THAT THEY'RE EXAGGE-RATED!
THAT'S RIGHT! JANET WAS SO EAGER WITH FEATURING EVERY-THING, SO IN THE END SHE FEATURED . . . TOO MUCH!
THERE'S ENOUGH WITH ON DETAIL TO MAKE A SIMPLE COSTUME SPECIAL AND ELEGANT! MAYBE AN EMBROIDERY, LIKE . . . LIKE . . .
. . . LIKE THIS!
MY BOOK OF SYMBOLS! I THOUGHT I'D LOST IT!
" WHEN GRANDMA READ IT TO ME, I WAS LISTENING, AS IF UNDER A SPELL, TO THE STORY ABOUT CHINA, WHICH SHE CALLED . . . "
. . . THE LAND OF THE COSTUMES AND HATS!
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" THE TWELVE ORNAMENTS IN THE ANTIQUE, CHINESE FASHION . . . "
YEAH . . . SOME OF THEM I CAN STILL REMEMBER; THE MOUNTAINS, THE DRAGON, THE FIRE . . .
ALL OF THEM HAVE A PRECISE MEANING: THE AXE, FOR EXAMPLE, STANDS FOR COURAGE, THE COBLET FOR FAITHFULNESS, THE PHEASANTS FOR BEAUTY . . .
KNOWLEDGE, STABILITY, DETERMINATION, PURITY . . . PRETTY IMPORTANT VIRTUES, HUH?
THAT'S IT! THEY REMIND ME OF THE COMMUNION'S CHARACTERS!
UHM . . .
AND ABOUT . . .
BUT . . .
ARE YOU THINKING WHAT I'M THINKING?
TWELVE ORNAMENTS . . .
. . . FOR TWELVE TUNICS . . .
. . . AND WE'RE ALL SET!

UHM . . . AND IF WE COUNT CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS EVE OUT, I'VE GOT EXACTLY TWELVE DAYS TO FINISH ALL OF THEM!
UGH! ONE TUNIC PER DAY! I WOULD NEED TWELVE MONTHS FOR THAT!
I'M SURE THERE'S ENOUGH TIME . . .
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SNAP
. . . AND MAGIC!
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WOULD YOU REALLY HELP ME OUT?
GROWL
HMM . . . SOME OF THAT CHICKEN WITH ALMOND WOULD MAKE THINGS EASIER . . .
I'M RUSHING TO GET YOU SOMETHING TO EAT!
AND I CALL BACK-UP! IRMA AND CORNELIA, GET OVER HERE!
MEANWHILE, I CAN CLEAN THIS PLACE UP!
GIRLS . . .
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SUN
MOON
KNOWLEDGE
STARS
THANK YOU!
BOWS
GOOD AND EVIL
MOUNTAIN
STABILITY
AXE
COURAGE
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GRAIN OF RICE
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